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5,371,551	Logan, et al.	December 6, 1994
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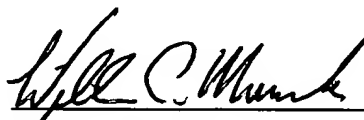
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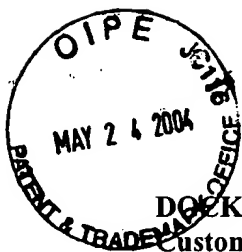
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